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AOEC Activities, Announcements, and Funding Opportunities

The Occupational Health Internship Program (OHIP) celebrates its 10th year this summer. While we celebrate the 158 students who have successfully completed the program, we plan to keep on going. OHIP is a nine week summer program dedicated to helping students learn more about the field of occupational health and safety (OHS) from those most at stake: working people. If you know of a student who might qualify: undergraduates have to be entering their junior year and graduate students (no post-doctorate students). Accommodations can be made for medical school schedules. Please have them visit the OHIP website at <http://aoec.org/ohip/>. Applications are due by March 18, 2013.

Are you concerned about the OHS pipeline? Many OHIP alumni have gone into OHS related fields. However, our funding has substantially diminished this year. If you, your department, or organization can provide even as little as \$100 those funds can help with covering mileage reimbursement or go towards the orientation in Los Angeles. It costs roughly \$7,500 per intern to provide them with a nine week experience. All donations are tax exempt. Checks can be made to AOEC-OHIP and mailed to the AOEC office or made electronically through the AOEC website at <http://www.aoec.org/content/payment.htm> and click on Contribution. Although the button says PayPal you can either use a PayPal account or simply a credit card.

Happy Belated Birthday to Alice Hamilton. Dr. Hamilton was born February 27, 1869 and died in 1970 but of necessity her work continues. Her story, *Exploring The Dangerous Trades-The Autobiography*, first published in 1943, is available for reading and downloading from the Internet Archive at <http://www.archive.org/details/exploringthedang011737mbp>. Mark Catlin has a great Facebook film page <http://www.facebook.com/HistoricOSHFilms> that focuses on occupational health. He is currently posting films and other items in honor of Alice Hamilton's birthday.

The Annual Commemoration of the Triangle Shirtwaist Fire will take place on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at noon at the site of the Fire (Green Street & Washington Place), New York City.

Quick reminder that if you haven't paid your 2013 AOEC membership dues, we'd really appreciate hearing from you <http://www.aoec.org/membership.htm>.

The Great Lakes Centers for Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health Announcement is pleased to once again present its *Online Occupational Health & Hygiene Global Program in Occupational Health Practice*. Details either below in ongoing educational classes or at <http://www.uic.edu/sph/glakes/ce/IntPrgOHP.html>.

There are a couple of conferences with deadlines for discounted early registration deadlines coming up. The early registration deadline is March 8 for AIHce scheduled for May 18-23, 2013 www.AIHce2013.org. The early bird deadline for the Canadian Occupational Health Nurses Assoc. (COHNA) and Alberta Occupational Health Nurses Assoc. (AOHNA) conferences April 30-May 2, 2013 is of March 15, 2013. Contact: www.aohna.ab.ca or info@aohna.ab.ca.

View from Vermont Avenue by Katherine Kirkland, Executive Director

Sequestration or the threat of sequestration has caused all sorts of unintended consequences. The various "crises" have also made it so agency managers and administrative staff are redoing budgets instead of or in addition to doing their regular duties. While the figure being talked about is a 5% cut, it is actually closer to 10% since it is a 5% cut of the entire fiscal year budget for agencies and we're already five months into FY2013. In addition to possible furloughs, planning for future events has to include all the contingencies. One example is the annual meeting of the Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS). They now have announced the date, April 22-26 and a location city Atlanta, GA but not much else. Since travel will be the first thing to go, there's no sense in making airline or hotel arrangements. The fact that both will be more expensive as lead time diminishes is apparently not a concern of the budget minded folks on Capitol Hill.

Once we get through sequestration, there are still budget issues to be addressed. One is we still don't have an FY2013 budget, just a continuing resolution (CR). The current CR expires March 31. That should be about the time we have one more debt ceiling debate. Add to that we haven't seen any action as yet on the FY2014 budget and what we have in DC is a dysfunctional mess. If I ran AOEC like Congress is trying to run the country, you wouldn't be reading this column or if you were it would be written by someone else.

New from Federal Agencies

MSHA

MSHA has posted its [POV Single Source Page](#) a preview of the Pattern of Violations (POV) Monitoring Tool that will go into effect on March 25, 2013, the effective date of MSHA's new Pattern of Violations rule. This tool uses the same POV screening criteria that are currently in effect, except for adjustments necessary to comply with the new rule.

EPA

May is Asthma Awareness Month and in preparation, EPA is providing links at its page <http://www.epa.gov/asthma/awareness.html>.

Positions Available

Drexel University Assistant Professor – Injury Prevention and Control

The Department of Environmental and Occupational Health at the Drexel University School of Public Health in Philadelphia is recruiting for a University-funded tenure-track Assistant Professor. The successful candidate will have demonstrated expertise in the area of injury prevention and control. Specific expertise may include: injury epidemiology, individual and organizational behavior change, or policy analysis and evaluation. Portfolios with emphasis on occupational health, the built environment, trauma systems, and community-level injury prevention are desired. The candidate will have a Doctoral degree in a relevant discipline with demonstrated scholarship in injury prevention and control. The candidate will be expected to teach graduate level courses, supervise graduate students, secure externally-funded research grants, and provide academic service.

The mission of the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health (EOH) is to prevent adverse health effects related to environmental and occupational exposures through research, education and service. These activities are carried out in the context of the school's focus on communities, social justice, and human rights. The central theme of EOH is prevention, focusing on initiatives which will ultimately decrease, in a measurable way, the burden of environmental and occupational health effects. Research within the department focuses on airborne contaminants, lung disease, asbestos, cancer, environmental exposures, patient and workplace safety, injury prevention, emergency preparedness and counter-terrorism, and more. EOH faculty work closely to improve the health of disadvantaged populations within the Greater Philadelphia Region, and also travel extensively to help train environmental health officials and agencies to better improve lives on a national and global scale.

Drexel University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Apply online at www.drexeljobs.com. Use "environmental and occupational health" as a key word in the "department" field of the Search Postings area and select the appropriate position. Please complete the short on-line application and also submit your C.V. and a cover letter describing your interest, background and research and teaching qualifications online. Drexel places a high value on teaching excellence. Candidates are encouraged to submit a teaching portfolio if one is available. Applications will be accepted until May 1st. Questions/inquiries can be addressed to: Arthur L. Frank, MD, PhD, Chair and Professor, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, Drexel University School of Public Health, 1505 Race Street, 13th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102, alf13@drexel.edu

Executive Director, Occupational Medicine Emory University

Position Summary: The Executive Director, Occupational Medicine, will have direct responsibility for building the occupational health and safety program for all employees of Emory, including the healthcare delivery system. A nationally recognized leader in occupational medicine, the Executive Director will lead the interests and missions of Emory University to enhance the health of workers through prevention of injuries and workplace diseases, promotion of health, assessments of injuries including clinical care, disability management, research and education. The Executive Director is responsible for assuring the quality and efficiency of these functions for Emory University and Emory Healthcare. These responsibilities require the

Executive Director to exert effective leadership to oversee these operations and implement policies and procedures that identify employees at time of employment and reviews upon period timeframes for mandatory health assessments/compliance.

Responsibilities: The position includes responsibility for the development and integration of Occupational Injury Management and Employee Health Departments, establishment of programs that enhance the health of workers, play a visible role in preventing diseases and evaluate the interaction of work and health. This position involves both proactive and reactive Human Resources programs.

Requirements: A Doctor of Medicine degree and eligibility for licensure in the state of Georgia; Board certification and significant experience in occupational medicine; Minimum of five (5) years of leadership experience in occupational medicine; Minimum of three (3) years' experience in a senior leader position in occupational medicine in an academic healthcare system; Direct occupational medicine administrative experience, both operational and fiscal to include prior P&L responsibilities and a broad understanding of complex employee health strategies and the issues challenging the field of occupational medicine in the current environment; Demonstrated creative communications and business skills; Ability to lead a department of occupational medicine with an understanding of the diversity of the internal and external audience; and A collegial, consultative management style allied with the ability to be decisive.

To apply: Forward qualified CVs to Nyla Medlock at nmedlock@medlockconsulting.com or contact her at 806-239-6952.

CDC Job Opportunity

The CDC seeks an innovative leader to be the **Director of the Office of Health System**

Collaboration (OHSC), which leverages the Affordable Care Act and other system changes to increase collaboration between public health and the healthcare system. OHSC is within the Office of the Associate Director for Policy, in the CDC Director's Office. The OHSC Director personally advises the CDC Director and other senior staff on this CDC-wide priority, and works to realize public health-healthcare collaboration's potential to maximize health.

Qualifications

- Senior level experience in healthcare, public health or, ideally, both sectors
- Demonstrated innovative leadership and excellent communication skills
- Extensive knowledge of healthcare and public health policy, systems and programs, preferably including healthcare delivery, quality measurement, healthcare finance and public health interventions
- Successful track record of leading cross sector partnerships that achieve results
- Research and analytic expertise in health policy, preferably including the ACA

Other Special Notes: Special pay, and/or relocation and recruitment Incentives may be authorized for qualified candidates. This position is located in Atlanta, Georgia.

Apply by February 25, 2013. Review the links below and apply to the position(s) that best match your qualifications.

- GS-602 (Open to Physicians – All U.S. Citizens)
<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/333542400>
- GS-602 (Open to Physicians – Merit Promotion/Status Candidates)
<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/333542800>
- GS-601 (Open to Physicians and other eligible candidates – All U.S. Citizens)
<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/336548100>

- GS-601 (Open to Physicians and other eligible candidates – Merit Promotion/Status Candidates) <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/336526500>

For information on the application process, contact Vicki Hunter at VDP5@cdc.gov or 404-498-6528.

Director of Clinical Research-NIEHS

The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) is recruiting a Director of Clinical Research, who will be a leader in clinical-translational research at the senior investigator (tenure-eligible) level. This position can include an independent laboratory. This is an ideal opportunity for a Clinician to further his/her career by overseeing current studies and developing new directions for the NIEHS clinical research program. Applications are due **February 28, 2013**.

For more information, please visit

http://niehs.nih.gov/careers/jobs/director_clinical_research_program_dir_1301.cfm

Or contact: Ms. Emily Starnes (Vacancy Number DIR 13-01), Intramural Program Specialist National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Mail drop A2-06, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, Email: dir-appls@niehs.nih.gov

Duke University OEM Clinical Faculty Position

Duke Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Department of Community and Family Medicine is seeking a BC/BE Occupational Medicine Physician for a full-time or part-time clinical faculty position. Academic appointment in the Duke School of Medicine is based on academic portfolio. Clinical activities will be conducted at the hospital-based Duke Employee Occupational Health and Wellness Center (EOHW) that provides services for over 34,000 faculty and staff of the University and Health System and the Duke Corporate Occupational Medicine Clinic located in nearby Research Triangle Park, NC. Responsibilities include patient care for work-related injury/illness/exposure, pre-placement evaluations, medical surveillance, clinical toxicology, independent medical examinations, permanent impairment ratings, fitness for duty assessments, disability management, American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) review, and managing and developing employee wellness and assistance programs. Other responsibilities include supervising nurse practitioners and physician assistants. The position also includes teaching of medical residents and students, and the potential for clinical research. Experience in an academic health care setting is preferred. Please visit the Duke Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine website for additional information (<http://dukeoccmed.mc.duke.edu/>). If you are interested in finding out more about this opportunity please contact Carol Epling, MD or George Jackson, MD via email at carol.epling@duke.edu or george.jackson@duke.edu respectively. Duke University is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Employer. Minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

Pulmonary/Occupational Medicine Faculty Position

Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences

National Jewish Health– the #1 Respiratory Hospital in the United States by U.S. News & World Report is seeking applicants for a faculty position in the Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences (DEOHS) at the Assistant Professor or Associate Professor level. The ideal candidate will have demonstrated excellence through clinical, educational and research

endeavors and will have an energetic and enthusiastic ambition to advance and serve as a leader in the field of environmental and occupational health.

- Potential areas of expertise desired are, but not limited to, occupational allergy and asthma, occupational airway disease and sarcoidosis.
- Primary duties may include but are not limited to clinical care in outpatient settings; educational activities with fellows, residents and students; work on translational research projects; as well as participating in the collaborative and integrative group practice atmosphere we provide.
- Applicants should have an MD or an equivalent degree and must be board eligible or board certified in Pulmonary Medicine with an interest in Occupational Medicine, and must be eligible for a medical licensure in the state of Colorado.

Interested candidates should submit their Curriculum Vitae with letter of interest to:

Lisa A. Maier, MD, MSPH, FCCP, Chief, DEOHS at National Jewish Health c/o Samantha Moodie moodies@njhealth.org or by fax 303-398-1452.

Occupational Medicine Physician Faculty Position-Utah

Combine teaching, research and clinical care in a full time Occupational Medicine physician faculty position (open track) at the University of Utah School of Medicine at the Instructor level or higher. Applicants must be certified by the American Board of Preventive Medicine (ABPM) in Occupational Medicine Recent graduates who are otherwise eligible for ABPM Certification may be exempt from this requirement. Demonstrated research ability is desirable. Duties include teaching, research, clinical care, and some consulting. The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and educator. Minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply. Veteran's preference. Reasonable accommodations provided. For additional information: <http://www.regulations.utah.edu/humanResources/5-106.html>.

The University of Utah values candidates who have experience working in settings with students from diverse backgrounds, and possess a [strong or demonstrated] commitment to improving access to higher education for historically underrepresented students.

To apply: <http://utah.peopleadmin.com/postings/21382> If you have further questions, contact Karen Bradakis, karen.bradakis@hsc.utah.edu. The University of Utah Health Sciences Center is a patient focused center distinguished by collaboration, excellence, leadership, and Respect. The University of Utah HSC values candidates who are committed to fostering and furthering the culture of compassion, collaboration, innovation, accountability, diversity, integrity, quality, and trust that is integral to the mission of the University of Utah Health Sciences Center.

Occupational Care Consultants - Northwest Ohio

Occupational Care Consultants is seeking to employ a full time physician. Experience in Occupational Medicine, Primary Care, or Urgent Care/Emergency Care is preferred but not necessary. The employer is willing to provide training and credentialing as may be needed. Duties would include Injury care, Medical Review Officer (drug screen evaluation), and performing a variety of examinations such as: Pre-placement, DOT, Respirator, Medical Surveillance, Fitness for Duty, and Return to Work. In addition, there is opportunity to perform

Independent Medical Evaluations. Salary commensurate with experience and a generous benefit package is provided. Send inquiries and resume to marketing@occhealth.com.

Occupational Health Physician-Plainfield Healthcare Center

Day Kimball Medical Group is seeking a BC/BE Occupational Health Physician for a full time position that has a leadership component. We are a young and growing department with an expanding client base that is in need of an Occupational Medicine specialist to help expand the program. Our services include: pre-employment exams including CDL, medical exams, firefighter physicals and management of various work related illnesses and injuries.

Day Kimball Healthcare is a non-profit, integrated medical services provider comprised of Day Kimball Hospital, healthcare centers in Danielson, Dayville, Plainfield, Putnam and Thompson, Day Kimball HomeCare, Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern CT, Day Kimball HomeMakers and Day Kimball Physician Practices. Its service area includes Northeast Connecticut as well as nearby Massachusetts and Rhode Island communities. Day Kimball Healthcare's comprehensive network offers more than 1,200 employees including nearly 300 highly-skilled physicians, surgeons and specialists. Its website is daykimball.org. To apply: <http://newton.newtonsoftware.com/career/JobIntroduction.action?clientId=4028f88b24c330a20124eb33b4ad1653&id=8a42a12b364b788401364c84b5360f66&source=> Position ID: PLFDWIMD or for additional information contact Kathleen Stevenson, RN, Occupational and Employee Health, 12 Lathrop Road, Plainfield, CT 06374, Ph 860-457-9150 x1141Fax 860-928-8280

Fellowships

2014 American Public Health Association Public Health Fellowship in Government

The American Public Health Association (APHA) is pleased to announce the call for applications for the 2014 APHA Public Health Fellowship in Government. This is the seventh year that APHA is offering this fellowship, which has been described as an “amazing” and “phenomenal” experience by previous fellows. Candidates must have strong public health credentials and be interested in spending one year in Washington, D.C. working in a congressional office on legislative and policy issues related to health, the environment or other public health concerns. The fellowship will begin in January 2014 and continue through December 2014. The fellowship provides a unique learning experience for a public health professional to gain practical knowledge in government and see how the legislative and public policy process works.

All candidates: must be citizens of the United States or permanent residents, must be APHA members, must have five years or more experience in a public health setting (Internships, graduate assistantships and residencies do not count toward the five year requirement) and must have a Masters degree or doctorate in a public health or related discipline.

For more information, please feel free to contact Charlene Bright at charlene.bright@apha.org or (202)777-2491. Electronic application, including a CV and three letters of recommendation, are due to APHA by April 8, 2013. [Apply now online](#)

Fellowship Training Program in Pediatric Environmental Health - Mount Sinai School of Medicine

The Mount Sinai School of Medicine invites qualified applicants (MD or PhD) to apply for a 3-year post-residency/postdoctoral fellowship training program in Pediatric Environmental Health sponsored by the National Institute of Child Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). This program provides training in epidemiology, biostatistics, toxicology, risk assessment and preventive medicine and includes course work leading to a Master of Public Health (MPH) degree. The capstone of the fellowship is a mentored research experience that is intended to train fellows in the successful conduct of research and lead to the production of publishable manuscripts. The mentored research project serves also as the basis for each fellow's MPH thesis. Fellows gain additional training in clinical research, policy development and evidence-based advocacy. Clinically trained fellows will gain clinical experience in environmental pediatrics through the Agency Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) supported Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit. The goal of the program is to produce future research leaders in the emerging field of pediatric environmental health who will be positioned to lead the National Children's Study and to populate academic health centers across the United States. Up to two positions are available each academic year. Members of underrepresented minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. For a brochure or other information contact Damiris.Perez@mssm.edu or phone 212-824-7109.

Fellowship Training Program in Medical Toxicology

The Drexel University College of Medicine (Philadelphia, PA), Department of Emergency Medicine, Division of Medical Toxicology is recruiting candidates for their Fellowship Training Program in Medical Toxicology. Our program is one of the nation's oldest Fellowship Training Programs in Medical Toxicology. This 24-month training program is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) and emphasizes occupational and environmental toxicology with strong training in emergency and critical care toxicology. In addition, extensive opportunities are available for research, publication and teaching in the setting of a progressive and innovative medical school. Program graduates are eligible to sit for the certification examination in Medical Toxicology by the American Board of Preventive Medicine. For additional information contact Program Director, Michael I. Greenberg, MD, MPH at mgreenbe@drexelmed.edu

Call for Papers

Inhaled Particles XI 2013 – Call for Papers open!

Inhaled Particles XI (IPXI) is the latest in a long line of highly successful and prestigious international conferences and meetings organized by the British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS). It is being held in the city of Nottingham, UK on 23 to 25 September 2013. The Scientific Committee aims to deliver a balanced program which combines plenary sessions and parallel scientific and technical sessions with a range of interactive workshops and case studies. The Committee welcomes papers on any aspect of diseases and health impacts of inhaled particles and we especially encourage papers in the following areas: deposition, translocation and clearance studies, mechanism of disease in the lungs and extra-pulmonary sites, cellular mechanisms, nanotoxicology, assessment of exposure to particles and fibers including

nanoparticulates, exposure scenarios, exposure modeling, risk assessment and risk management. Visit www.inhaledparticles.org for more information and to submit your abstract before 8 April 2013.

Conferences and Meetings

Diesel Fumes and Lung Cancer

March 7, 2013

New York, NY

10 am - 1 PM at Region 9A, UAW, 256 West 38th Street -- 12th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Speakers include Harold Boro, Safety and Health Representative, Transport Workers Union, Local 100, Alice Freund, CIH, Mt. Sinai-Irving J. Selikoff Center for Occupational & Environmental Medicine, Frank Goldsmith, PHD, Director, Occupational Health, Transport Workers Union, Local 100, Steven Markowitz, MD and Lewis Pepper, MD, Center for the Biology of Natural Systems, Queens College, CUNY and Peggy Shepard, Director, West Harlem Environmental Action, WEACT. http://nycosh.org/uploads/calendar/NYCOSH_CLC-2013-0307-diesel-final.pdf

NIOSH Approved Spirometry course

March 8-9, 2013

Chicago, IL

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM at the School of Public Health, 2121 West Taylor Street

Room 122, Chicago, IL. For information call 312-996-6904 or go to

http://www.uic.edu/sph/erc/CE_courses.html. There is a spirometry course fee of \$495.00.

Comprehensive Industrial Hygiene Review (CIH)

March 11-15, 2013

Chapel Hill, NC

This 4- ½ day course is designed to provide a comprehensive review of the field of industrial hygiene. This course is specifically designed to assist industrial hygienists in preparing to sit for the CIH examination. Others needing a comprehensive review of the field of industrial hygiene are also encouraged to attend. This course is not intended for entry level industrial hygienists.

<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/comprehensive-industrial-hygiene-review.html>.

Analyzing Risk: Principles, Concepts, and Applications

Boston, MA

March 11 – 14, 2013

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Risk-Analysis>. This program provides participants with an understanding of how risk analysis is done, how it is interpreted, and how it influences regulatory decision making.

MCN Webinar

Cultural Proficiency in the Context of Migration Health

March 13, 2013

10:00am PT (Noon CT, 1:00pm ET)

The need for cultural proficiency pertains to both individual clinicians and staff as well as to the health care organization as a whole. Cultural proficiency in practice requires that one be a continual learner. Cultural humility and a desire to better understand your patients are essential. Models for improvement suggest that we often make the greatest progress by taking a series of small steps and pausing frequently to assess if that step is a step in the right direction. In this module participants learn the impact of cultural proficiency on health care quality, how to recognize personal and organizational biases, and how to improve care delivery to those from migrant and immigrant settings. To register for this webinar click [here](#).

Safe and Effective Flood and Mold Remediation – the Sandy Storm aftermath cure.

March 13 – 15, 2013

Galloway, NJ

The conference is in two parts: A) General Presentations and Lectures with Q&A and B) Workshop with hands-on demonstrations. Each part includes the expert round table, exhibits & demonstrations. Conference to be held at the Seaview Hotel and Golf Club – Conference Center; Galloway, N.J. 08205 (near Atlantic City, New Jersey). For more details see: www.dampnessmold.com or www.bioaerosol.org.

2013 Chesapeake AIHA and ASSE Educational Seminar: Current Topics in Safety, Health and Environmental Issues

March, 13, 2013

Laurel, MD

8:00a – 4:15p at the JHU APL Kossiakoff Center \$95.00 fee.

A variety of occupational safety and health topics will be discussed: NIOSH Construction Safety Initiatives, Hazardous Materials Response, Nanotechnology Hazards, Antineoplastic Drugs – Their Risk and Benefits, Cave-In / Collapse Rescue, Prevention Thru Design, Human Genome Research, Cement & Concrete Hazards in Construction, Microbiological Aspects of Infection Control, Tree Safety, Risk Analysis, Sleep Apnea Risks to Workers, Climate Change Impacts on Industrial Hygiene Practice.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/chespdc.html>

CSOEMA Annual Spring Seminar

March 14, 2013 - "Occupational Medicine: Where Medicine Meets the Workplace"

March 15-16, 2013 - 89th Annual Spring Seminar

Naperville, IA

This three day seminar will provide current information on occupational medicine and networking opportunities needed to keep current in occupational medicine for occupational medicine physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and occupational health nurses. Upon completion, CMEs, CEUs and MOCs will be awarded to those that are eligible. Contact: Marlyce Nutt at marlyce@csoema.org

The Changing Faces of Antidotes

March 15-17, 2013

San Juan, Puerto Rico

ACMT is excited to introduce a new, expanded conference format in response to overwhelming feedback from members to include original research in the annual didactic gathering. Program information available at <http://acmt.net/agenda.html>.

Occupational Health Nursing: An Introduction and Review of Principles and Practice

March 18-20, 2013

Plus Respiratory Protection for Nurses (optional)

March 21, 2013

Chapel Hill, NC

This course will provide the basic principles and concepts of occupational health nursing practice. The content is designed for nurses who are new to occupational health nursing or those who have had a limited scope of practice but desire to expand that scope of environmental and occupational health nursing practice.

<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/intro-occupational-health-nursing.html>

The Asbestos Crisis: New Trends in Prevention and Treatment

March 22 – 24, 2013

Washington, DC

The 9th Annual Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAO) International Asbestos Awareness Conference features a number of speakers including Drs. Richard Lemen, Arthur Frank, Laura Welch, Paul Demers, and Aubrey Miller among others. For additional information: <http://www.asbestosdiseaseawareness.org/global-events/2013-adao-conference#sthash.94aT2uBc.dpuf>

Effective Risk Communication: Theory, Tools, and Practical Skills for Communicating about Risk

Boston, MA

March 25 – 28, 2013

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Risk-Communication>. This introductory program explores the scientific foundations for effective risk communication.

Management and Leadership Skills for Environmental Health and Safety Professionals

Boston, MA

March 25 – 28, 2013

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/EHS-Leadership>. This program provides focused skill building in the critical areas of leadership and management development for environmental health and safety professionals.

NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Training Course

March 28-29, 2013

Iowa City, IA

This 2-day workshop covers the most current standards and recent developments in pulmonary function testing. If you are an occupational health nurse, physician, industrial hygienist, technician, medical assistant, or employee health practitioner responsible for performing accurate pulmonary function testing, you will greatly appreciate this course. All participants will have ample opportunity to practice pulmonary function testing utilizing a variety of spirometry

equipment with one-on-one instruction from the faculty. Contact: Cassandra Sickels at cassandra-sickels@uiowa.edu.

Prevention through Design for Construction

April 1 – 4, 2013

Boston, MA

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Prevention-through-Design>

This course explores methodologies for preventing or reducing occupational injuries and fatalities through the inclusion of prevention considerations into the building lifecycle, particularly the design process.

COHN/Safety Management Certification Review (COHN-S/SM or COHN/SM)

April 2-5, 2013

Chapel Hill, NC

The NC OSHERC's presentation of the Safety Management Certification Review Course is the first course offered for a new Safety Management credential for certified occupational health nurses (COHNs and COHN-Ss). This American Board for Occupational Health Nursing (ABOHN) credential was developed in collaboration with the Board of Certified Safety Professionals (BCSP) and the American Board for Occupational Health Nurses (ABOHN). The exam is based on the Associate Safety Professional (ASP) Certification Exam and the course covers all major topics covered in the domains of practice.

<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/cohn-safety-management-review.html>

Overview of Occupational Health Nursing Course

April 3-5, 2013

Baltimore, MD

9:00a -5:00p at the JHU School of Nursing \$495.00 fee. This course will help prepare occupational health nurses who plan to take the American Board for Occupational Health Nursing Certification (ABOHN) examination. Others interested in a comprehensive review of occupational health nursing may also enroll.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/ce/ohnbrochure.html>

Isocyanates and Health: Past, Present and Future

Potomac, MD

April 3-4, 2013

Rescheduled due to Hurricane Sandy. The purpose of this international multidisciplinary conference is to identify and discuss the latest knowledge and important issues on the health effects of isocyanates, including current best evidence about exposure monitoring, environmental controls and clinical management. Information and registration at:

<http://www.isocyanates2012.org/>

Chromosome 5 and 7 Abnormalities in Oncology Personnel Handling Anti-Cancer Drugs

April 3, 2013

Chapel Hill, NC or Webinar

NORA seminar from 1:00pm to 2:30pm ET sponsored by the North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Education and Research Center. Melissa McDiarmid, MD, MPH, DABT from the University of Maryland will present. After the presentation, an interactive question and answer session will be held. An archive link will be available shortly after the seminar for those who have a conflict with the April 3 date/time. Application for continuing education credits has been made; the fee is \$6.00 with check payable to NC OSHERC. For those who need CM points from ABIH, a certificate of attendance can be provided. For more information, including slides and evaluation form, please contact Susan Randolph at susan.randolph@unc.edu or 919-966-0979. You can also request to have your name added to the email distribution list used solely for the NORA Seminar Series (8 emails total per year).

Diesel, Transportation, Occupational Exposures, and Health

April 5, 2013

New York, NY

By the end of the Annual Scientific Meeting, each participant will be able to: Explain the health and safety impact of transportation work on transit employees. Summarize how diesel exhaust impacts lung cancer rates in the work place. Identify the effect of diesel and other fine particles on health. Explain advances in diesel engine technologies and the impact new technologies have on worker health. Registration and additional information at

<https://ophp.umdnj.edu/wconnect/CourseStatus.awp?&course=USM040513>.

Respiratory Protection and Fit Testing Workshop

April 16-18, 2013

Cincinnati, OH

Sponsored by the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. Information and registration available at www.DrMcKay.com

The Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Conference

April 22 – 26, 2013

Atlanta, GA

More information will be forthcoming soon.

Israeli-American Medical Toxicology Conference

Haifa, Israel

April 23-25, 2013

The American College of Medical Toxicology (ACMT) in conjunction with the Israeli Society of Toxicology (IST) is proud to announce a joint conference with faculty from the United States, Israel, Canada, Europe, and elsewhere to provide cutting edge, clinically-relevant presentations in a historic venue. Contact info@acmt.net with any questions.

CAOHC Approved Hearing Conservation Course

April 24-26, 2103

Baltimore, MD

To be held at the JHU School of Nursing \$550.00 fee

The purpose of this CAOHC-approved course is to provide instruction and certification in audiometric testing through lecture and practicum experience for occupational health

professionals who administer audiometric testing as required by regulations including the OSHA Hearing Conservation Amendment (29 CFR 1910.95) and the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) Health Standards for Occupational Noise Exposure 30 CFR 62.
<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/hearing.html>

CAOHC Approved Hearing Conservation Refresher Course

April 25, 2013

Baltimore, MD

To be held at the JHU School of Nursing \$350.00 fee

One day refresher for your CAOHC certification.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/hearing.html>

Canadian Occupational Health Nurses Assoc. (COHNA)

Alberta Occupational Health Nurses Assoc. (AOHNA) Education Day

April 30, 2013

Edmonton Alberta

The theme of the conference is "Charting the Course for Occupational Health". Contact us at:

www.aohna.ab.ca or info@aohna.ab.ca

Alberta Occupational Health Nurses Assoc. Conference

May 1& 2, 2013

Edmonton Alberta

Our conference this year is featuring a Keynote speaker: Carol Ann Fried, "The Dance of Equilibrium". Contact us at: www.aohna.ab.ca or info@aohna.ab.ca

Guidelines for Laboratory Design: Health and Safety Considerations

Boston, MA

May 6 - 10, 2013

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Laboratory-Design>

This program provides real-world insight into laboratory health and safety issues, ensuring that participants can effectively design and construct a safe and sustainable laboratory.

AIHce 2013,

May 18-23, 2013

Montreal, PQ

AIHce is designed to enhance knowledge of important topics and build strong relationships with other professionals. A variety of courses, sessions, posters, lectures, workshops and luncheon discussions address professional development, scientific issues, management trends, industry innovations and much more. Visit www.AIHce2013.org for important dates, travel information, and a sample approval memo that can be used to drive home the benefits of attending AIHce in Montreal.

Work, Stress, and Health 2013: Protecting and Promoting Total Worker Health™

May 16-19, 2013

Los Angeles, California

There will be pre-conference workshops and opening events on May 16. This conference is convened by the American Psychological Association, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Society for Occupational Health Psychology (SOHP). For more details: <http://www.apa.org/wsh/>

NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Refresher Course

May 17, 2013

Iowa City, IA

Technicians whose NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Course certificates are dated January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2007, are eligible to complete a NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Refresher Course by December 31, 2012, to maintain a valid NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Course certificate. Contact: Cassandra Sickels at cassandra-sickels@uiowa.edu.

Introduction to Public Health Surveillance

May 20–24, 2013

Atlanta, GA

The course is designed for state and local public health professionals. CDC and the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University will cosponsor the course. Topics scheduled for presentation include an overview and history of surveillance systems; planning considerations; sources and collection of data; analysis, interpretation, and communication of data; surveillance systems technology; ethics and legalities; state and local concerns; and future considerations. Tuition is charged. Additional information: <http://www.sph.emory.edu/epicourses>, by e-mail pvaleri@emory.edu or by mail Emory University, Hubert Department of Global Health, 1518 Clifton Rd. NE, CNR Bldg., Rm. 7038, Atlanta, GA 30322; telephone (404-727-3485) fax (404-727-4590).

Radiation Safety Officer Training for Laboratory Professionals

June 3 – 7, 2013

Boston, MA

This fundamental 40-hour training program is specifically designed to train researchers and safety officers with the necessary skills to implement a radiation protection program in the biotechnology, university, hospital, or medical laboratory setting.

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/RSO>

Comprehensive Industrial Hygiene: The Application of Basic Principles

June 3 – 7, 2013

Boston, MA

This program offers a comprehensive introduction to the fundamentals of industrial hygiene practice and is designed to ensure that participants leave with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in safety, health, and environmental practice. Industrial hygienists, environmental health and safety professionals, engineers, and others will benefit from the faculty's extensive experience in the field. <https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Industrial-Hygiene>

Introduction to Ergonomics

June 3-12, 2013

Baltimore, MD

Can be taken for either CE credit or Academic credit. \$1,908.00 fee

This introductory course in ergonomics will include human physical capabilities and capacities and apply ergonomic principles to the analysis and design of workplaces - and associated tasks, tools and equipment. The work environments discussed will include industrial, healthcare, and office settings. Particular emphasis will be placed on ergonomic concerns such as posture, vibration, lifting, repetitive motion, and manual material handling. At the end of the class, participants should be able to identify ergonomic principles, assess basic work areas, and provide control strategies. Classes involve lecture, interactive discussions, and projects designed to assist students with applying course material in workplace environments.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/summerterm.html>

North American Refugee Health Conference

June 6-8, 2013

Toronto, ON

Building on the momentum of the Canadian Refugee Health Conference held in 2011, health professionals and experts from many disciplines will meet to discuss the best health practices, challenges for optimal care, research and advocacy for the refugee patient population.

<http://www.northamericanrefugeehealth.com/>

Airborne Particles

June 7-14, 2013

Baltimore, MD

To be held at the JHU School of Public Health \$1,431.00 fee. Can be taken for either CE credit or Academic credit. This course presents a basic understanding of airborne particles and will explore properties of gases, particle motion, size statistics, Brownian motion and diffusion, particle deposition and clearance in humans, filtration, aerosol samplers and sampling.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/summerterm.html>

Epi on the Edge: The 2013 CSTE Annual Conference

June 9-13, 2013

Pasadena, CA

Registration and additional information will be available soon at <http://www.csteconference.org/>. Abstract submission is open now at <https://cste.confex.com/cste/2013/cfp.cgi>.

NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Training Course

July 18- 19, 2013

Iowa City, IA

This 2-day workshop covers the most current standards and recent developments in pulmonary function testing. If you are an occupational health nurse, physician, industrial hygienist, technician, medical assistant, or employee health practitioner responsible for performing accurate pulmonary function testing, you will greatly appreciate this course. All participants will have ample opportunity to practice pulmonary function testing utilizing a variety of spirometry

equipment with one-on-one instruction from the faculty. Contact: Cassandra Sickels at cassandra-sickels@uiowa.edu

2013 Conference Environment and Health – Bridging South, North, East and West
August 19-23, 2013
Basel, Switzerland

Hosted by the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (an associated Institute of University of Basel) and co-sponsored by International Society of Environmental Epidemiology (ISEE), International Society of Exposure Sciences (ISES) and International Society of Indoor Air Quality (ISIAQ). For more information go to <http://www.ehbasel13.org/>

Occupational Health Crossing Borders
August 19-30, 2013
Munich, Germany

The summer school is targeted at occupational safety and health professionals. It provides information about occupational safety and health systems around the world with special focus on Europe. Please find additional information at: <http://www.osh-munich.de/>

International Health Conference 2013
September 20-22, 2013
Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam

Please follow the web link below for details: <http://www.moh.gov.bn/news/20121001a.htm>. While the conference is focused on primary care, OEM practitioners may present their papers under the public health theme.

Inhaled Particles XI (IPXI)
September 23-25, 2013
Nottingham, UK

British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS) will sponsor IPXI. This is the latest in a long line of highly successful and prestigious meetings and is the oldest ongoing international symposium series on the health effects of particles. The first Inhaled Particles symposium was held in Oxford in 1960 and over the intervening 50 years the ten Inhaled Particles meetings have witnessed all of the key developments in occupational and public health associated with airborne particles. Its integrative approach to the science of particle-mediated lung disease is a distinctive and successful feature of the Inhaled Particles Conference series. More information: visit the website <http://www.inhaledparticles.org/>.

ICOH Joint Congress
September 23-26, 2013
Sao Paulo, Brazil

Included in the Congress will be:

- 9th International Conference on Occupational Health for Health Care Workers
- International Conference on Occupational Health & Development
- International Conference on Occupational Health Nursing
- International Conference on Occupational Infectious Agents

Some information about the conference in general is available at
http://www.icohweb.org/site_new/multimedia/events/pdf/ICOH%20SC%20Joint%20Conference%202013.pdf.

Ongoing Educational Courses

Great Lakes Centers for Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health

Announcement – Online Occupational Health & Hygiene

Global Program in Occupational Health Practice: Two post-graduate programs.

- **100% *internet-based***, instructor led, distance learning programs.

Occupational Hygiene Program: designed for engineers, managers, and technicians who work in occupational safety, health and hygiene.

- This is the *only online OHTA approved course*.
- Students are prepared to sit for the OHTA examination.

Occupational Health Program; designed for health care providers -- physicians and nurses-- who deliver occupational health services to employees in companies or governments around the world.

Dates

Course 1 (Foundations): 2 Sept – 10 Nov 2012

Course 2 (either Health or Hygiene): 6 Jan – 16 March 2013

Course 3 (Management): 31 March – 8 June 2013

Further information and Registration: <http://www.uic.edu/sph/glakes/ce/IntPrgOHP.html> or contact: **Course Administrator**

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Online Master's Degree: Occupational Health Nursing

North Carolina Occupation Safety and Health Education and Research Center

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Occupational Health Nursing

Master's in Public Health in the Occupational Health Nursing concentration via distance education from The University of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill is only a click away. You can attend classes online anytime of the day or night. Tuition assistance is available. For more information contact Susan Randolph (susan.randolph@unc.edu) or Bonnie Rogers (rogersb@email.unc.edu) and visit our website:

http://www.sph.unc.edu/phlp/distance_mph_in_occupational_health_nursing_2083_7115.html

Earn a Certificate in Occupational Health Nursing via distance education from The University of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill. Earn 11 – 12 academic credits in 12 months, which could be transferred into the MPH Program. You can attend classes online anytime of the day or night. For more information contact Kathleen Buckheit (buckheit@email.unc.edu) or Bonnie Rogers (rogersb@email.unc.edu) and visit our website:

http://www.sph.unc.edu/phlp/occupational_health_nursing_certificate_16754_11740.html

Continuing education for occupational health nurses: <http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/occupational-health-nursing-courses.html>

Online Fundamental of Industrial Hygiene

Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene is now being offered online. This course closely follows the Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene course presented face-to-face at annual **Summer and Winter Institutes** presented by the NC OSHERC at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Starts January 9, 2013. See website for details: <http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/industrial-hygiene-fundamentals-online.html>

California Department of Public Health Online Courses

Nurses/physicians/industrial hygienists: CDPH is offering free continuing medical education courses online. Learn about work-related and childhood lead exposure, Coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever) and mercury. You can get units through **these informative one-hour courses**.

<http://us5.campaign-archive1.com/?u=4586a1ad0b7ecd671f7295e07&id=cb39e933f7&e=%5bUNIQID>

Masters' and Doctoral Training Opportunities

**Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety Education and Research Center
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, MN**

The mission of the Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety (MCOHS) Education and Research Center (ERC) is to ensure a Center of Excellence that provides: 1) cutting-edge interdisciplinary academic and research training to prepare exceptional leaders who make significant contributions to the field of occupational health and safety and 2) continuing education to prepare occupational health and safety professionals to address current and emerging threats to the nation's workforce. This ERC, one of 18 nationwide, was designed in response to a mandate of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) -- to provide an adequate supply of qualified personnel to carry out the purposes of the Occupational Health and Safety Act and reduce the national burden of work-related injury and illness. The MCOHS provides graduate degree programs, continuing education and outreach activities, and serves as a regional resource for industry, labor, federal, state, and local government agencies, agriculture, and other interested parties. Graduates are prepared to assume positions in various institutions including: academic institutions, corporate and industrial settings, health agencies, and health care facilities, among others. Visit the MCOHS ERC Homepage:

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu> or Call toll free: 1-877-36- MCOHS (1-877-366-2647). MCOHS ERC Director: Susan Goodwin Gerberich, PhD (gerbe001@umn.edu)
Tuition and stipends are available to eligible applicants.

The degree programs and respective websites are:

Occupational Injury Prevention Research Training Program
<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oiprt/introduction.html>

Occupational and Environmental Medicine
<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oem/introduction.html>

Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Program
(Website in Progress)

Industrial Hygiene

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/ih/introduction.html>

Occupational and Environmental Health Nursing

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oehn/introduction.html>

Occupational Health Services Research and Policy

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/ohsrp/introduction.htm>

CIH Online- Register Now!

The Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center is pleased to announce CIH Online. CIH Online exam review and maintenance courses offer practicing industrial hygienists studying for the Certified Industrial Hygiene Exam and safety professionals seeking ABIH and/or BCSP credits an advantage by providing you 24/7 access, peer-to-peer networking, community discussion boards and instructor-led online review sessions. Course are eligible for IH contact hours, IH Ethics contact hours and COC (Continuance of Certification) points through the BCSP. Visit www.CIHonline.org for more information and to register today!

Nursing CNE Activities on Asthma Triggers

In conjunction with Dr. Helen Miner, Director of AHEC and Dr. Barbara Huggins from “Dose of Health” CBS 19, the Southwest Center for Pediatric Environmental Health developed two continuing education courses targeted toward school nurses. Both courses discuss asthma triggers and asthma management techniques. The Asthma Primer course is designed to provide a medical knowledge base of the disease and provide resources and tools for management of the disease in the school setting. After this program the school nurse should be able to identify causes, signs, and symptoms of asthma and be able to identify asthma triggers and their impact on learning. The school nurse will also be able to identify how their school can become asthma-friendly environments, control asthma episodes, and manage asthma in students. The Asthma Triggers course goes into depth, describing different categories of asthma triggers and how they can be identified. Both courses stress the importance of utilizing an Asthma Management Plan that is personalized for each child. You can access the courses free of charge at www.swcpeh.org/providers_ceupres.asp

So far over 80 continuing nursing education units have been awarded to over 40 school districts in Texas. However, the courses are eligible to be taken by any healthcare professional in the United States. If you have any questions regarding the courses, you may contact the program administrator, Shannon Cox at 903-877-5045 or at shannon.cox@uthct.edu.

The New England College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (NECOEM)

NECOEM has uploaded several lectures given at the December 2011 Annual NECOEM Conference held in Boston, MA. These podcast lectures and handouts are free of charge and are available by going to the following link: www.necoem.libsyn.com. You may also find these lectures on the NECOEM page on Itunes.

1. Work Related Concussions: Evaluation, Management and Return to Work Success (Stuart Glassman, MD) 2. Doctor: Can I Work Despite My Heart Attack, Back Pain, Psychosis? (James Talmage, MD) 3. What Mind Body Medicine Can Do for You and Your Patients (Herbert Benson, MD) 4. Carpal Tunnel Syndrome: How Overdiagnosis and Flawed Causation Analysis Contribute to Poor Outcomes in Worker's Compensation (James Talmage, MD) 5. Prevention of Laboratory Animal Allergy (Gregg Stave, MD, JD) 6. The Challenges of Return to Work After Hip or Knee Replacement (panel: D.Ward, MD; J. Montana, PT; L. Sorafine, JD) 7. Fitness for Duty and ADA Issues in the Compromised Worker (Carolyn Langer, MD, JD) 8. Opportunities and Challenges of Onsite Clinics (panel: A. Rodgers, MD; R. Haugen, COHN-S; G. Salgueiro, RD) 9. Childhood Lead Poisoning (Paul Hunter) 10. Managing Workplace Safety and Medical Marijuana (panel: P.Lowe, JD; D. Ciullo)

Free Online CME Course for Health Care Providers – Adult Lead Poisoning

The California Department of Public Health's Occupational Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is pleased to announce a new online course - *Overview of Adult/Occupational Lead Poisoning in California*. Based the latest health information about lead poisoning, this course:

- Describes the problem of adult lead poisoning
- Uses a case to illustrate issues and challenges in diagnosing lead poisoning in adult patients
- Offers guidelines for providing state-of-the-art clinical management of adult lead poisoning
- Provides an overview of the medical responsibilities under OSHA Lead Standards

While developed for a California audience, the material in this course is applicable to anyone interested in the care of lead-exposed adults. Course available at:

<https://chtapps.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/servlet/QaStudy?tid=269>

US-Mexico Border Health Training Opportunity

The South Texas Environmental Education and Research (STEER) Program of the University of Texas School of Medicine-San Antonio (UTSOMSA) provides in vivo training experiences at the US-Mexico Border for medical students, residents and other health professionals in an unique and informative setting. STEER engages nearly 100 instructors, most of them volunteers, including health department leaders, community healthcare workers, and professors, to teach the dozens of half to full-day segments that make up the 4-week program.

STEER program is offered monthly if there are at least three qualified applicants. Limit of 10 students per rotation. See the website <http://steer.uthscsa.edu> for information and a downloadable application, or contact directly: steer@uthscsa.edu.

NIOSH Approved Spirometry Courses

All the currently approved NIOSH spirometry courses which are available are listed at <http://www2a.cdc.gov/drds/spirometry/schedule.asp>

Education and Research Center (ERC) Courses

By topic <http://niosh-erc.org/courses/topic.shtml>

Free Online Continuing Education Course for Health Professionals on Pediatric Environmental Health

Now Available at: http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/emes/health_professionals/pediatrics.html

This course is based on the Pediatric Environmental Health Toolkit: An American Academy of Pediatrics endorsed clinical tool. This is an online course developed in conjunction with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry's (ATSDR) Division of Toxicology and Environmental Medicine, the University of California San Francisco Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit, and Physicians for Social Responsibility, Greater Boston. Free 1.5 Credit Hours for: Physicians, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, other health professionals (check the course site). Access this interactive online course in the comfort of your own home or office to increase your knowledge base of common pediatric environmental health issues. Users can log in and out to complete the course in several sessions.

Additional ATSDR Environmental Health and Medicine continuing education offerings can be found at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/emes>

Massachusetts Nurses Association- Health and Safety Courses Online

Available at <http://www.massnurses.org/nursing-resources/continuing-education/mna-ce-online>

Course topics currently include: Workplace Violence, Fragrance Free! Creating a Safe Healthcare Environment, Latex Allergy Program, Fatigue and Sleeplessness, and Work-related Asthma in Nurses and their Co-workers.

Program requirements: To successfully complete a program and receive contact hours, you must read the entire program, take and pass the Post-Test and complete the Program Evaluation. To pass the Post-Test, you must achieve a score of 80% or above.

Accreditation: The MNA is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

*All programs are free to MNA members and others.

Deep South Center for Occupational Health and Safety 2011 Professional Development Opportunities

For current listing of courses contact:

UAB/Ryals School of Public Health, 1530 3rd Ave. South, Birmingham, AL 35294-0022
Paulisha Holt, pholt@uab.edu; contact number is 205-934-7178 www.uab.edu/dsc

Lead Poisoning Awareness

The LAMPP Project in partnership with the Healthy Environments for Children Initiative at UCONN is very pleased to announce the release of a new lead awareness training for educators, "Lead Poisoning: Limiting the Ability to Learn". This free training is now available on the LAMPP web site <http://www.connecticutchildrens.org/lampptraining> and LAMPP encourages anyone in education to take advantage of this excellent training.

The training has been designed to raise educators' awareness of lead poisoning and enhance their ability to respond to the needs of children harmed by lead. It's free, informative and easy to follow. There are separate modules for Classroom Educators, Administrators, and personnel from Health Services, Family Resource Centers, Pupil Support Services, Private Schools and Child Daycare Facilities or anyone who might benefit from learning about the signs of lead poisoning, why educators need to be concerned and methods to prevent childhood lead poisoning.